

## MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 7(A)

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**TO:** Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

(Second Reading 05-09-06)  
**DATE:** January 24, 2006

**FROM:** Murray A. Greenberg  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Ordinance Creating Task  
Force on Governmental  
Structure

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The accompanying ordinance was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Chairman Joe A. Martinez.

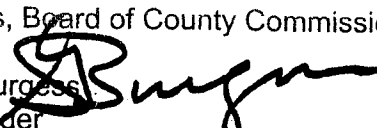


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# Memorandum



**Date:** May 9, 2006  
**To:** Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners  
**From:** George M. Burgess   
County Manager  
**Subject:** Ordinance Amending the Task Force on Governmental Structure

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This ordinance amending the Task Force on Governmental Structure will have a fiscal impact on Miami-Dade County.

The Task Force is charged with the responsibility of addressing, among other issues, the procurement process and the effectiveness and efficiency of various forms of governance.

The amendment requires the Task Force to continue to meet for an additional six-month period prior to the submission of a final report and to consider conducting a survey of County residents regarding County governance. The survey, if conducted, will be done by a consultant from the County's Market Research Pool at an estimated cost of \$35,000. All other support provided to the Task Force will be done internally and will result in no additional fiscal impact to Miami-Dade County.

  
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Deputy County Manager

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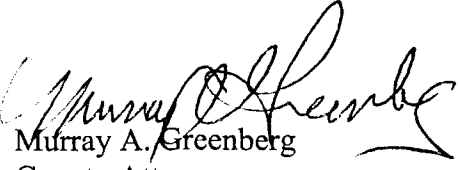


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(Revised)

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Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
- ☒ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- ☐ Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
- ☐ No committee review

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor

Veto \_\_\_\_\_

Override \_\_\_\_\_

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05-09-06

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**ORDINANCE CREATING TASK FORCE ON  
GOVERNMENTAL STRUCTURE; PROVIDING FOR  
MEMBERSHIP, DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS AND  
STAFF SUPPORT; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY,  
INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE  
DATE**

**WHEREAS**, on December 14, 2004, the County Commission adopted Resolution R-1490-04 which created the Miami-Dade County Task Force on Governmental Structure; and

**WHEREAS**, the Task Force on Governmental Structure is charged with the responsibility of addressing, among other issues, the procurement process and the effectiveness and efficiency of various forms of governance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Task Force on Governmental Structure has held a number of meetings over the last year, and considered a multitude of issues including, but not limited to, the procurement process, the County's information technology, and the criteria for grading County projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commission believes that the Task Force on Governmental Structure should continue to meet for an additional six (6) month period prior to the submission of a final report to consider, among other things, a survey of County residents regarding County governance which has yet to be completed,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA:**

**Section 1.**     *Creation.* There is hereby created the Miami-Dade County Task Force on Governmental Structure (hereinafter "Task Force").

**Section 2.**     *Membership.* The Task Force shall consist of the Vice-Chairman of the County Commission, who shall be the Chair of the Task Force, and three (3) additional County Commissioners selected by the Chairman of the County Commission. The Mayor shall, at his discretion, serve as the fifth voting member of the Task Force.

**Section 3.**     *Duties and functions.* The Task Force shall:

a) Develop criteria for identifying efficient and effective structures of local government in this country. Such criteria may include: bond ratings; efficiency awards or recognitions; success in obtaining state or federal funds; as well as other criteria deemed by the members to be objective measures of an efficient and effective local government;

b) Apply the criteria developed to evaluate the effectiveness and efficiency of the various structures of governance of the major metropolitan areas of this country. This evaluation shall include local governments that vest procurement authority in elected officials, as well as those that vest such authority in appointed members of staff. The evaluation shall also include an analysis of jurisdictions that vest authority over air and seaports in elected officials, as well as in appointed officials;

c) Review Commission agendas over the past five years and analyze those instances where the County Commission has rejected the County Manager's recommendation on a procurement matter, and identify the number thereof in relation to the total number of such recommendations and the percentage that such instances

comprise of the total number of and total dollar value of all procurement recommendations submitted by the County Manager to the Commission during such period of time. The data gathered as a result of the foregoing shall be compiled and disseminated to the public by the County Communications Department;

d) Conduct such public hearings as in the Task Force's opinion are sufficient to afford the members of the community the opportunity to provide their input. The Chair of the Task Force may, at his discretion, create a Citizens' Advisory Committee to assist the Task Force. The Chair of the Task Force shall appoint the members of the Citizens' Advisory Committee.

e) At the conclusion of the public hearing process, the Task Force shall prepare a written report for the County Commission's consideration that includes a summary of the Task Force's evaluation of the efficient and effective structures of local government studied and the opinions of constituents shared with the Task Force during the public hearing process. Such report shall be completed and submitted to the County Commission as soon as practicable, and in no event later than six (6) months after the effective date of this Ordinance. Upon such submission, the Task Force shall be dissolved.

**Section 4.** *Staff support.* The County Manager and County Attorney shall provide staff support as needed to the Task Force.

**Section 5.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or provision of this ordinance is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected by such invalidity.

**Section 6.** It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners, and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this ordinance, including any sunset provision, shall become and be made a part of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The sections of this ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intention, and the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section," "article," or other appropriate word.

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**Section 7.** This ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of enactment unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

PASSED AND ADOPTED:

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency:



Prepared by:

GKS

Gerald K. Sanchez

Sponsored by Chairman Joe A. Martinez